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Page 1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON PENDLETON DIVISION OREGON FIREARMS FEDERATION, INC., et al.,) Civil No. Plaintiffs,) 2:22-cv-01815-IM) (Lead Case) v. TINA KOTEK, et al.,) Civil No.) 3:22-cv-01859-IM Defendants.) (Trailing Case)) Civil No. (Continued)) 3:22-cv-01862-IM) (Trailing Case)) Civil No.) 3:22-cv-01869-IM) (Trailing Case) * VIDEOCONFERENCE * DEPOSITION UPON ORAL EXAMINATION OF EXPERT ROBERT J. SPITZER Witness located in: Williamsburg, Virginia * All participants appeared via videoconference * DATE TAKEN: April 5, 2023 REPORTED BY: Tia B. Reidt, Washington RPR, CCR #2798 Oregon #22-0001

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Page 2 1 (continued) 2 MARK FITZ, et al., 3 Plaintiffs, 4 v. 5 ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al., 6 Defendants. 7 KATERINA B. EYRE, et al., 8 Plaintiffs, 9 v. 10 ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al., 11 Defendants. 12 DANIEL AZZOPARDI, et al., 13 Plaintiffs, 14 v. 15 ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al., 16 Defendants. 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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Page 55 question. 1 2 Go ahead. You can answer. THE WITNESS: Yeah, I wouldn't call it an 3 opinion, exactly, but as I'm sure you know, there are 4 competing estimates about how many firearms there are 5 in America in civilian hands. There is no 6 authoritative source of information because the 7 government does not collect that. And it's generally 8 determined through public opinion polls, and polling 9 results vary. There probably are something like 350 10 million -- 350 million guns in America. Some number in 11 12 that ballpark. BY MR. WILLIAMSON: 13 I've heard a similar estimate, and one Ο. Yes. 14 as high as, I think, 413 million. Something like that. 15 Yes. Α. 16 That's based on, like, National Shooting 17 Ο. Sports Foundation's sales records and things as opposed 18 to survey results. 19 Α. Right. 20 Have you examined as part of your work state 21 requirements for obtaining a permit to purchase? 22 23 A. I have not examined them systematically. Of course, different states have different standards. I 24

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am acquainted with the New York state permitting

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     standard because I went through that process about ten
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    years ago.
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              And I think you testified about that.
              So let me see if I can find an exhibit here
4
     really quickly.
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              Do you have access to Exhibit Number 22?
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              Oh, 22. Yes. Let's see.
              Oregon State Police?
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          Q.
              Yes.
          Α.
              2022.
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          Q.
              Yes.
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          Α.
              Got it.
              I'm having a similar problem with mine loading
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     the document.
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              I'm glad it's not just me.
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          Q.
              Okay.
                      So on page 16, it's referenced as
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     appendix number C.
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          Α.
              Okay.
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              Page 16, Appendix C.
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              Yes.
          Q.
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                   MR. WILLIAMSON: Was everybody else able
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     to open that?
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              (No response.)
    BY MR. WILLIAMSON:
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              So Appendix C lists the disqualifiers for
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          Q.
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